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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1 (Previously Presented): An organic electroluminescent device comprising:

an organic compound layer including at least one organic compound film containing an organic compound having a phenylamino group, wherein

said organic compound having a phenylamino group is produced by Ullmann reaction, and

said organic compound layer contains copper atoms as impurities in a weight concentration of not lower than 40 ppm and not higher than 500 ppm.

2 (Original): The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 1, wherein said weight concentration of copper atoms as impurities in said organic compound layer is not higher than 200 ppm.

3 (Original): The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 1, wherein said organic compound layer includes:

an organic compound film containing a luminescent material, and an organic compound film containing a carrier transporting material.

4-18 (Cancelled)

19 (Previously Presented): The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 1, wherein copper is detected by using an ICP (Inductively Coupled Plasma) method.

20 (Currently Amended): An organic electroluminescent device comprising:

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an organic compound layer including at least one organic compound film containing an organic compound having a phenylamino group, wherein

said organic compound layer contains copper atoms as impurities within a weight concentration range of about 40 ppm to 500 ppm.

21 (Currently Amended): The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 20, wherein

said weight concentration of copper atoms is within a range of about 40 ppm to 200 ppm.

22 (Previously Presented): An organic electroluminescent device comprising:

an organic compound layer including at least one organic compound film containing an organic compound having a phenylamino group, wherein

copper atoms are present in the organic compound layer,

said copper atoms can be detected, and

are present in a weight concentration of not higher than 500 ppm.

23 (Previously Presented): The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 22, wherein said copper atoms are present in the organic compound layer in weight concentration of not higher than 200 ppm.

24 (Previously Presented): The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 22, wherein said copper atoms are detected by using an ICP method.